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THE BOOTH MYSTERY

One of the Pall Bearers Tells a Sensational Story.

Says the Body Buried as John Wilkes Booth Was Not That of Booth.

DEVELOPS INTERESTING STORY

The recent dispatches stating that a man who committed suicide at Enid, I. T., in January has been identified as John Wilkes Booth, president Lincoln's slayer, has revived interest in the somewhat hackneyed "mystery" of the actor's tragic fate. It has been claimed for many years from time to time that Booth was really never shot, captured or killed, and sensational stories have flourished for a time and then been exploded as myths. This last one may share the fate of its predecessors, but following it comes the following story from Baltimore, Md.:

Basil Moxley, the veteran doorkeeper at Ford's opera house in this city and the sole survivor of the pallbearers who carried what is supposed to be Wilkes Booth's remains to the tomb in Green Mount cemetery, today made the surprising statement that it was only a mock funeral. The late John T. Ford, theatrical manager; Charles Bishop, the comedian, and Samuel Glenn were the other pallbearers.

Mr. Moxley has preserved silence until this time on account of the Booth family. He now says: "I have never cared much about talking in regard to the truthfulness of the statement that John Wilkes Booth was buried in Green Mount cemetery, for there has always been a certain amount of doubt existing as to whether or not the assassin of President Lincoln was ever captured, killed or even shot. But in order that I might clear up at least one supposition, I'll tell you positively that his body is not and never was buried in this city, to my knowledge. Certainly the body buried in Green Mount was not that of Booth."

"Never were any two things in this world which resembled each other less than that body did John Wilkes Booth. I had known Booth all my life and was a very close to the family, which I think is shown by the fact that they asked me to act as pallbearer at the funeral of the dead man, whom they had been led to believe was that of their relative. I saw the body several times and examined it. The hair on the dead body was of a reddish brown color, while Booth's was black."

Moxley says further: "However, that mere detail made no difference, for we all knew at the time that the body was not that of John Wilkes Booth, and my examination was only prompted by curiosity alone, not that I believed for one minute that the body was that of the assassin. You see, the whole affair was planned by friends of the family, and was done for purpose which they deemed imperative. Mrs. Booth, the mother of John Wilkes Booth, was, naturally, nearly prostrated with grief at her son's action and the stories of his horrible death in the barn, and later the report that the government had taken charge of his body only acted as a vehicle to a general breaking down of her system, and for a time it seemed as though she would not survive that shock."

"Then in order that the affair might become a thing of the past as soon as possible some friends determined that it would be best to bring the body here and bury it in the family lot in Green Mount. Through these friends Mrs. Booth applied to the government for the body. This brought matters to a crisis, for I do not believe that John Wilkes Booth was ever killed in that barn, and if any one was slain it was some innocent man who knew nothing of the real assassin."

"At any rate, it was incumbent upon the government to furnish a body to make good their report that Booth had been killed, and they did so. What we got and what was sent here for the body of John Wilkes Booth is what I have already described to you—a red haired man who looked no more like the tragedian than you do yourself."

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never will believe that Booth was killed, and am confident that he escaped, but how I have never been able to make up my mind, or have I any positive knowledge that he did. Yet the one point that has always caused me to doubt the various stories of his death is that if he was killed, why did not some one receive the immense reward offered for his capture, dead or alive? You can search all records in Washington or interview any officials then in office who are now alive and I will wager you will be unable to learn of any reward being paid for the delivery of John Wilkes Booth's body to the government.

"I also remember several rumors to the effect that Booth had been seen at the crossroads near Penmar, and I have heard men say that they had drunk with him in that locality, but I must say I believe those rumors were of the same material as those hatched out about his death and peculiar burials, the funniest of which is the one told by Captain E. W. Hilliard, of Metropolis, Ill., to the effect that he helped to sink the body in the Potomac river."

Another incident bearing indirectly on the case is reported by a prominent Paducah man, who was talking in the Palmer house last season to young Junius Booth, who is a nephew of John Wilkes Booth and played here in a Mrs. LeMoyné's company several months ago. He declared to the Paducah man that John Wilkes Booth was never captured or killed, and if he was dead he died a natural death.

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TERRAPIN OVER 20 YEARS OLD.

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